



Montessori by the Sea



CAYMAN ISLANDS
GOVERNMENT

SUMMARY INSPECTION REPORT | MARCH 2019



Excellent

exceptionally high quality of performance or practice.



Good

the expected level for every school in The Cayman Islands, both public and private.



Satisfactory

the minimum level of quality required for The Cayman Islands. All key aspects of performance and practice in every school should meet or exceed this level.



Weak

quality not yet at the level acceptable for schools in The Cayman Islands. Schools will be expected to take urgent measures to improve the quality of any aspect of their performance or practice that is judged at this level.

ABOUT OUR INSPECTIONS



The inspection framework is organised around judgments using a four-point scale. The four levels on the scale are defined below.

ABOUT MONTESSORI BY THE SEA

Address: 277 Prospect Point Rd, P.O.Box 11747

Contact Number: 345-947-0684

Name the Head Teacher: Ms. Thompson and Ms. Jackson

Number of children on roll: 153

Number of teaching staff: 22

Number of support staff: 8

Age range of students: 21 months - 12 years

Date of last inspection: 23rd-26th February 2010

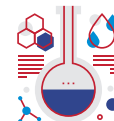
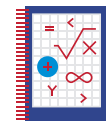
Date of this inspection: 25th-27th March 2019

Number of stakeholder survey responses received from parents: 101

Staff: 27

Student: 32

INSPECTION JUDGEMENTS



Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of education provided at this centre



(strongly agree/ agree):

PARENTS 98%

STAFF 96%

STUDENTS 97%

Students' attainment in relation to international standards:

English

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	SATISFACTORY	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Mathematics

Toddlers	SATISFACTORY	😊
Casa	SATISFACTORY	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Science

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	GOOD	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Offering a curriculum that meets the educational needs:

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	GOOD	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Students progress in key subjects:

English

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	SATISFACTORY	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Mathematics

Toddlers	SATISFACTORY	😊
Casa	SATISFACTORY	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Science

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	GOOD	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Promoting students' personal and social development:

Positive behaviour for good learning

Toddlers	EXCELLENT	😊
Casa	EXCELLENT	😊
Elementary	EXCELLENT	😊

Ensuring effective teaching to support students' learning:

Teaching

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	SATISFACTORY	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Learning

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	SATISFACTORY	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Assessment

Toddlers	SATISFACTORY	😊
Casa	SATISFACTORY	😊
Elementary	SATISFACTORY	😊

Students' civic and environmental understanding

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	GOOD	😊
Elementary	EXCELLENT	😊

Keeping our students safe and always supported:

Health and safety

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	GOOD	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Support and guidance

Toddlers	GOOD	😊
Casa	GOOD	😊
Elementary	GOOD	😊

Leading and managing the school and developing links with the community

Leadership



Self-evaluation and improvement planning



Links with parents and the community



Staff and the learning environment



OVERALL



KEY STRENGTHS OF MONTESSORI BY THE SEA

Inspectors identified the following strengths in the school:

- Students' behaviour for learning was excellent; they were friendly, articulate and polite. Relationships were excellent between students and adults and amongst the students;
- The curriculum gave students an interesting and wide range of topics that related well to real life and Caymanian culture;
- The individual support and encouragement given to every student including those with special educational needs enabled them to achieve well;
- Leaders have successfully embedded the Montessori philosophy to create an inclusive ethos and develop students who were passionate about environmental, global and social issues and had access to excellent resources for learning;
- Links with parents and the community were excellent. Parents could speak readily to teachers and they received good information about how well their children were doing.



RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MONTESSORI BY THE SEA

- Raise students' attainment in English and mathematics by benchmarking against international standards;
- Improve assessment by devising strategies to help students know precisely what would make each piece of work successful and to challenge them to achieve more;
- Improve teaching and learning by:
 - o developing a robust monitoring system that informs leaders of where teaching needs improving;
 - o improving teaching and learning in the Casa phase.



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

As the school is judged to be providing a good quality of education, there will be no further inspections until the next cycle commences in September 2020.

To read the full Inspection Report for Montessori by the Sea
VISIT: www.gov.ky/portal/pls/portal/docs/1/12780554.PDF

